Tweed Shire has many beautiful parks and beaches that are desirable locations to have a wedding ceremony. The following fact sheet is to assist you with your planning as there are a few things you need to consider when having a wedding outdoors to ensure your wedding is a day to remember.

There are many popular areas to hold events. When planning your wedding ceremony there are a few things you will need to consider to ensure your chosen location best suits your needs.

- Climate at the time of year.
- Accessibility to the location for your guests and set-up for your ceremony.
- Is there sufficient parking and public amenities.
- School holiday periods or other events in the vicinity.

Bookings are on a first in first served basis. Please read carefully to avoid disappointment as there are no exceptions.

Casual Park Hire is intended for low level, structured activities.

Call Council on 02 6670 2400 or 1300 292 872 to check the availability of your location and date. Make a tentative booking which will hold for two (2) weeks to allow for the submission of your application.

Tentative bookings will expire after two (2) weeks and made available to the next applicant if an application has not be received.

Council is to be notified of any booking or approval that is no longer required in writing to tsc@tweed.nsw.gov.au or PO Box 816 Murwillumbah NSW 2484

Applications are required a minimum of ten (10) weeks prior to the event. It is preferred that applications are posted with payment or submitted in person at a Council office.

Applications that are emailed will be invoiced. This can take up to 30 days to receive. Payment must be received prior to the issue of an approval.

Submission of an application will initiate an invoice and will incur fees which you agree to pay.

Applications that are ten (10) weeks or less cannot be emailed. They must be posted and include a Not Negotiable cheque or money order made payable to Tweed Shire Council. Alternatively, submission of the application and payment can be made at a Council office.

Fee: Non-refundable fee is payable at the time of lodgement or upon receipt of the invoice. Please refer to Council's Fees & Charges [http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/FeesAndCharges](http://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/FeesAndCharges)

Approval cannot be issued until a completed application and full payment of fees have been received.

Bookings are in NSW Eastern Standard Time and where applicable Daylight Savings Time. Consider the effect daylight savings or school holidays may have on your booking.

Ensure to include the Day of the week, Date of the event, Time from set-up to clean-up and Location are correct. Provide the park or beach name as well as the nearest street and cross road/s.

Approvals will be posted to the address on the application form. If you move during the approval process, please notify Council of your change of address.

Strictly one ceremony per location per day. Please call Council to check availability to avoid disappointment. Some popular locations book out a year in advance.
Approval is for a maximum of 3 hours. This includes set-up, guest arrival, ceremony, photos and clean-up.

Approval strictly applies to the location and timeframe stated on the approval notice.

Refer to the Popular Locations document and local signage for additional conditions or restrictions that may apply.

If you are unsure of a beach or park name then refer to Council's "Mapping" tool https://www.tweed.nsw.gov.au/Mapping Please do not use Lot and DP or beach access numbers.

Fines may be issued if approval conditions are breached.

*No exclusive use. The area is to be shared with the public and any other approved events. Other users may be playing, exercising, picnicking or walking dogs etc; or approved events like surf carnivals, circuses etc.

*With the exception of 'The Dairy' Crams Farm. Additional fees apply.

Mowing is on a maintenance schedule and will vary due to the location and season. Approval of an area does not mean this will be mown for your event.

General leaf and branch debris may be on the ground due to natural shedding or inclement weather and is a natural feature of parks.

Park maintenance cannot be carried out by members of the public. The hire of public open space infers that the area is to be hired as is.

Council reserves the right to alter or relocate a tentative booking or approved event at short notice in certain circumstances.

Can your bridal party and guests easily access the area safely? Can the area be accessed for the set-up and pack-up of the ceremony?

Vehicle access on parks and beaches are not permitted and locked gates will not be opened.


Coastal areas can experience strong winds and beaches are affected by high and low tides. When considering the comfort of your guests, some areas are more exposed to the elements than others.

It is advisable to have a wet weather option. Your wedding planner or reception venue should be able to provide assistance.

Activities must consider the impact of nearby residents and other park users. Loud music, excessive noise and inappropriate behaviour will not be accepted.

Use of drones (Remotely Piloted Aircraft or RPAs) for photography as part of the event must be consistent with the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) regulations and Standard Operating Conditions. These may be obtained from the CASA website www.casa.gov.au/rpa

Non-compliance to the approval or any other regulations advised, sign posted or otherwise relating to the area of approval is a breach of the Local Government Act 1993 and penalties may apply.
The following items are not approved.

Restrictions

 água Confetti, rice or similar items are not permitted to be used in Council's parks or beaches. Bubbles are an acceptable alternative.
 água Vehicles are not permitted to access public parks or beaches and must only use public parking areas.
 água No requests for access to gated areas.
 água No requests for mowing or maintenance.
 água No wedding receptions.
 água No commercial marquees. Minimal infrastructure is acceptable - portable shade shelter must not exceed 20m², maximum of 30 seats.
 água Commercial catering.
 água Use of power.
 água Fireworks.